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DIGEST

Marionneaux (SB 336)

<u>Present law</u> provides that veterans of the armed forces or of the Louisiana Army National Guard or Louisiana Air National Guard having a permanent service connected disability classification of 50% or more and who are Louisiana residents or resident persons who are blind, paraplegic, or multiple amputees will, upon identification and proof of disability satisfactory to the department, be issued hunting licenses which will also include a WMA hunting permit without the payment of any fees.

<u>Present law</u> provides that a resident who is a veteran of the armed forces, the Louisiana Army National Guard, or the Louisiana Air National Guard, having a permanent service connected disability classification of 50% or more, upon identification and proof of disability satisfactory to the department, will be issued a basic recreational fishing license and saltwater license without payment of any fees.

<u>Present law</u> provides that a Louisiana resident who is an active member in good standing of the Louisiana National Guard or any reserve component of the United States armed forces, though not currently on active duty, may be issued a resident Louisiana National Guard license for a fee of \$50.00.

<u>Present law</u> provides that this license will be in lieu of basic hunting, big game, bow, primitive firearms, and waterfowl licenses, turkey hunting stamps, WMA hunting permits, and the basic and saltwater fishing licenses. <u>Present law</u> requires the license to be in the possession of the licensee when the licensee is engaged in hunting or fishing activities.

<u>Present law</u> requires the resident to carry proof of his status as a member of the Louisiana National Guard or any reserve component of the United States armed forces and his resident Louisiana National Guard license on his person at all times when he is engaged in hunting and fishing activities. <u>Present law</u> provides that the resident Louisiana National Guard license will be valid from June 1st through June 30th of the following year.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that any Louisiana resident who submits proof that he is a current or past member of any one of the armed forces of the United States or a reserve component, including the National Guard, shall be issued a resident Louisiana Armed Services license without payment of any fees.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> that provides that the license will be in lieu of basic hunting, big game, bow, primitive firearms, and waterfowl licenses, turkey hunting stamps, WMA hunting permits, and the basic and saltwater fishing licenses. Further retains <u>present law</u> that requires possession of the license by the licensee when the licensee is engaged in hunting or fishing

activities.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires the resident to carry proof of his status as a current or past member of any one of the armed forces of the United States or a reserve component, including the National Guard, and his resident Louisiana Armed Services license on his person at all times when he is engaged in hunting and fishing activities.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that the resident Louisiana Armed Services license shall be valid for the lifetime of the resident.

Effective July 1, 2010.

(Amends R.S. 56:104(B), 302.2(B) and 643(B)(2)(a))